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1. About 60 men of a Soviet rifle unit arrived in Zella-Mehlis (Thuringia) on 3 Feb 54. Six Soviet families that had been in Zella-Mehlis since mid-January 1954 left there on 6 Feb 54.
2. There are 112 Soviet officers and men quartered in Greifswald at the present time. Six of the officers have their families with them. The quarters are in a barred-off part of Karl Marx Platz. A Soviet MVD (Soviet Secret Police) service unit is apparently located in the same building with the headquarters. Two MVD officers are seen frequently in the port. They speak perfect Swedish. 25X1
3. A Soviet unit (probably regiment) of about 1,900 men arrived by train at Zwickau on 19 Feb 54. The train apparently came from the Soviet Union; the cars had inscriptions in Polish. There were counted twenty-four T-34 tanks, nine 6-wheeled armored reconnaissance cars, 16 guns of about 76 mm caliber, and 40 mortars. There were also about 40 trucks which took the troops from the station. The tank and rifle units are quartered in Albrechtstrasse and adjoining closed-off cross streets. Part of the other troops was moved further to Lichtentanne, Werdau and Kirchberg. 25X1
4. There have been no changes in the strength of the occupation forces in Zeitz. Intensified training activities are observed on the Elster meadows and the training grounds in the Zeitz forest. Tanks take part in the exercises in the Zeitz forest.

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